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Wylie Crime Rate Drops Again

Wylie, TX, Jan. 6, 2015 – Wylie, TX – The Wylie Police Department reports the city's 2014 crime rate per 1,000 population decreased by 5% from 2013 figures, despite a 4% increase in population.

Crime rate numbers are based on the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Uniform Crime Reporting system, defined as the number of crimes committed per 1,000 population. Part I crimes are comprised of seven offenses, broken down into two categories. Violent crime includes homicide, rape, robbery and aggravated assault; property crime includes burglary, larceny and motor vehicle theft.

Crime rate is calculated by dividing the total number of Part I Crimes reported to the police by the population. In 2014 there was a total of 586 Part I Crimes reported to Wylie Police. Wylie's estimated 2014 population was 45,970; the result is a Part I crime rate of 12.75 Part I Crimes for every 1,000 Wylie residents.

In 2014, violent crime per 1,000 population was up 20% from 2013. There was a total of 44 violent crimes reported to Wylie Police in 2014, up from 35 in 2013. Property crime per 1,000 population saw a decrease of 7% over 2013 figures. There was a 10% increase in the All Other Crimes category, which includes any offense not listed as a Part I offense.

The number of motor vehicle accidents increased by 9% over 2013 figures with two reported fatalities in 2014.

CATEGORY	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Violent Crimes					
Homicide	1	1	2	1	1
Rape	10	2	1	9	15
Robbery	5	17	5	5	2
Aggravated Assault	18	25	22	20	26
Violent Crime Subtotal	34	45	30	35	44
Violent Crime Rate per 1,000	0.805	1.05	0.69	0.79	0.96
Property Crimes					
Burglary	143	153	111	88	83
Larceny	563	566	514	470	424
Motor Vehicle Theft	33	23	38	23	35
Property Crime Subtotal	739	742	663	581	542
Property Crime Rate per 1,000	17.49	17.33	15.2	13.18	11.79
Total Major crimes UCR	773	787	693	616	586
Major Crime Rate per 1,000	18.3	18.38	15.94	13.97	12.75
Total all other crimes	1107	1050	1356	1256	1405
Calls for Service	27,823	26,608	29,203	29,148	28,293
Average Response Time (minutes)	6:27	6:56	6:28	5:15	5:54
Traffic					
Fatality Crashes	1	1	1	1	2
Major Accident	196	181	215	244	249
Minor Accident	465	433	435	419	479
Population	42,232	42,804	43,481	44,089	45,970

Crime Rate statistics are a snapshot of reported criminal activity in our community. The Wylie Police Department is well aware that these statistics are meaningless to those who are victims of crime and, though the overall outlook is positive, it cannot detract from those who have had the misfortune of becoming victims of crime.

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For more information on programs or questions about this report, contact Detective Nuria Arroyo 972-442-8170 or email nuria.arroyo@wylietecxas.gov. Additional UCR information and data is available at http://www.fbi.gov/ucr/ucr.htm.

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About Wylie – Incorporated in 1887, the City of Wylie is located just 24 miles from downtown Dallas in Collin, Dallas and Rockwall counties. Possessing an outstanding school district, a low crime rate, an ISO #1 rating and an expanding business climate, Wylie (population 44,158) is one of the fastest-growing communities in the State of Texas with a 192% increase since 2000.